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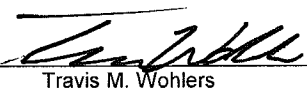
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE COMMUNICATION DATED DECEMBER 30, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this response to the Office Communication dated December 30, 2008, for which the date for response is now March 2, 2009 (since February 28, 2009 falls on a Saturday), by virtue of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time (one month) along with the required fee. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, applicants request and authorize to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/UTSH:264US/10506328.

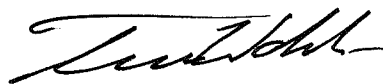
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REMARKS

As requested in the office communication, Applicants submit concurrently herewith a corrected Sequence Listing in text format through EFS Web. Reconsideration of the sequence listing is respectfully requested.

Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTSH:264US/10506328.

Respectfully submitted,



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